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TAGS: OVIP (HARRIMAN, W. AVERILL)

SUBJECT: HARRIMAN TRAVEL ABROAD

REF: STATE 225278

1. WE DELIGHTED WITH PROSPECT HARRIMAN VISIT, AND WILL DO ALL WE CAN TO FACILITATE IT. INQUIRIES AT INTOURIST REVEAL THAT EVERY EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO PLACE PARTY AT NATIONAL, BUT THAT THIS IS STILL UNCERTAIN SINCE SATRA CORP. HAS BOOKED LARGE BLOCK OF ROOMS FOR SPECIAL MEETING. IF ROOMS IN NATIONAL ARE NOT AVAILABLE, WE SHALL BE GLAD TO LODGE THE PARTY AT SPASO. HOWEVER, MOST OF THIRD-COUNTRY STAFF, INCLUDING BOTH COOKS, WILL BE ON LEAVE, SO THAT IT WILL BE IMPOSSIBLE TO PROVIDE MEALS AT SPASO EXCEPT FOR BREAKFAST. PLEASE LET US KNOW IF HARRIMANS WOULD PREFER THIS ARRANGEMENT TO HOTEL INTOURIST, IN EVENT SPACE IN NATIONAL IS NOT AVAILABLE.

2. CHARGE AND WIFE INVITE GOVERNOR AND MRS. HARRIMAN, MRS. RUSSEL AND MR. SWIERS TO LUNCH ON SATURDAY SEPT 18, IF THEY SHOULD BE FREE AT THAT TIME.

3. WE SHALL MEET HARRIMAN PARTY UPON ARRIVAL AND WILL BE PLEASED TO TRY TO MAKE ANY APPOINTMENTS OR ARRANGEMENTS THE HARRIMANS MAY DESIRE.

4. IF SWIERS SCHEDULE PERMITS, RAYMOND SMITH AND SPOUSE WOULD LIKE TO HOST SMALL DINNER PARTY FOR HIM WHILE HE IS IN MOSCOW. SMITH AND SWIERS WORKED TOGETHER WHEN FORMER WAS OFF CHAIRPERSON  
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AND LATTER WAS IN S/P. SMITHS ASSUME REST OF HARRIMAN PARTY

ALREADY FULLY OCCUPIED WITH FORMER MOSCOW ACQUAINTANCES BUT IF  
NOT WISH INCLUDE THEM IN DINNER INVITATION. SWIERS NO DOUBT  
REMEMBERS MOSCOW APARTMENTS BUT IF HE DOES NOT MIND ROUGHING  
IT, SMITH WOULD BE HAPPY TO HAVE HIM STAY WITH THEM.  
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